



Proclamation

Presented

In Recognition of National Water Safety Month

WHEREAS, National Water Safety Month recognizes the vital role that swimming and aquatic activities play in promoting physical and mental health and enhancing the quality of life for all people; and

WHEREAS, National Water Safety Month emphasizes the essential role that education regarding the topic of water safety plays in preventing drownings and recreational water-related injuries; and

WHEREAS, National Water Safety Month highlights the contributions made by the recreational water industry, as represented by the organizations involved in the National Water Safety Month Coalition in developing safe swimming facilities, aquatic programs, home pools and spas, and related activities providing healthy places to play, learn, grow, and build self-esteem, which contributes to the quality of life in our community; and

WHEREAS, National Water Safety Month underscores the ongoing efforts to educate the public on pool and spa safety issues and initiatives by the pool, spa, waterpark, recreation and parks industries; and

WHEREAS, National Water Safety Month the citizens of Hawai'i understand the vital importance of communicating water safety rules and programs to families and individuals of all ages, whether owners of private pools, users of public swimming facilities, or visitors to waterparks;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim May, 2014, as

"NATIONAL WATER SAFETY MONTH"

in Hawai'i, and ask all citizens of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the importance of aquatic recreation for promoting health in Hawai'i, and the need for understanding and implementing water safety.

DONE at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this eighth day of May, 2014.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i